



San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association

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To: Bay Area Law Schools
Office of Career Services

From: Franchesca C. Herrera, Chair of the SFLRLA Scholarship Committee
Rebecca Prozan and Dan Dean, BALIF Co-Chairs

Re: LGBT Public Interest Law Fellowship Competition for Summer 2009

Please provide copies of the enclosed application and the following guidelines to interested students.

The SFLRLA & BALIF LGBT Public Interest Law Fellowship is designed to provide financial assistance to law students working with Bay Area community-based legal service providers to enhance the delivery of legal services to the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender community. Fellowships will be awarded in areas where there is a substantial LGBT population in need of legal services. The Association will give priority to fellowship applicants who meet at least one of the following objectives:

- a. Projects to develop or expand legal services in the areas affecting the LGBT community, especially in the Latino community.
- b. Projects that develop materials and training to educate the LGBT community about its legal rights and to facilitate its access to the justice system and the courts.
- c. Projects that provide training, referral, recruitment and mentoring to law students.
- d. Creative projects not included within these guidelines will be considered.

AWARD

The San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association & Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom will award one fellowship to a law student to fund summer employment in 2009. The amount of the fellowship will depend on the individual's financial need, up to \$5,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Law students should submit the enclosed application form, a current resume, a description of their proposed project, and letters of recommendation.

QUESTIONS

Please contact Franchesca Herrera at franchesca@gmail.com or (415) 902-0968.

**SAN FRANCISCO LA RAZA LAWYERS ASSOCIATION
BAY AREA LAWYERS FOR INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM
2009 LGBT PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FELLOWSHIP COMPETITION
APPLICATION FORM**

1. Name _____
Address _____
Telephone () _____
Law School _____
2. Community-based legal services provider where you plan to work:

Address _____
Telephone () _____ FAX () _____
3. Brief project description of legal services to be provided, population to be served and project objective. Please attach the project description. The description should not be longer than three double-spaced pages.
4. Program Director/Supervisor _____ Telephone () _____ FAX () _____
5. Provide a narrative describing your qualifications, a statement of your financial need and the anticipated length of your summer employment.
6. Include a letter of recommendation from the Program Director or the Supervising Attorney of your anticipated summer employer. You may also include one or more additional letters of recommendation in support for your application (optional).

SCHEDULE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE POST MARKED BY **APRIL 1, 2009**.
PERSONAL INTERVIEWS WILL BE CONDUCTED **APRIL 1 - 10, 2009**.
COMPETITION WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY **APRIL 14, 2009**.
COMPETITION WINNERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED AT THE SAN FRANCISCO LA RAZA LAWYERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL NOCHE DE GALA ON APRIL 16, 2009.

Submit by April 1, 2009 to:
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